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1. MISSION LEARNED AT SOCIAL OCCASION APRIL 15 FROM VISITING FCO OFFICIAL (WOOD) AND NETHERLANDS DELEGATION OFFICER (MEESMAN) THAT AN EC WORKING GROUP WILL MEET ON EUROPEAN IMPLICATIONS OF MBFR AT DUBLIN APRIL 22. THE IRISH WILL CHAIRTHE MEETING. THIS IS FIRST MEETING OF THE GROUP IN OVER NINE MONTHS, OUR SOURCES SAID, SINCE FRENCH DID NOT WANT IT TO MEET UNDER FRENCH PRESIDENCY OF EC. THE IMPETUS FOR THE PRESENT MEETING CAME FROM FRG AND ITALY, WHO APPARENTLY HOPE SUCH MEETING WILL INVOLVE FRENCH IN DISCUSSIONS OF MBFR WITH THEIR ALLIES IN EC-9. THE GROUP HAS MET ONLY TWICE PREVIOUSLY. IT CONCENTRATES ON SUCH MATTERS AS THE NEED TO AVOID NATIONAL SUB-CEILINGS, WHICH WULD INHIBIT FUTURE EUROPEAN DEFENSE COOPERATION.

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